

# TORAL SURRENDERS SANTIAGO TO SHAFTER

Whole Eastern End of Cuba Goes to United States--10,000  
Spanish Troops to Be Sent Home--Watson to Attack Spain.

"PLAYA DEL ESTE, July 14.—Secretary of War, Washington: Before Santiago, July 14.—General Toral formally surrendered the troops of his army and the division of Santiago on the terms and understanding that his troops shall be returned to Spain. General Shafter will appoint commissioners to draw up the conditions of arrangements for carrying out the terms of surrender.

"This is very gratifying and General Shafter and the officers and men of his command are entitled to great credit for their sincerity and fortitude in overcoming the almost insurmountable obstacles which they encountered. A portion of the army had been infected with yellow fever and efforts will be made to separate those who are infected and those free from it, and to keep those who are still on board ship separated from those on shore. Arrangements will be immediately made for carrying out further instructions of the President and yourself.

"NELSON A. MILES,  
Major-General of the Army."

## SPAIN PREPARED TO SEEK PEACE.

NEW YORK, July 14.—The Washington correspondent of the Herald sends the following:

Independence for Cuba.  
Transfer of Porto Rico to the United States in exchange for the Philippines.

Coaling station in the latter island for the United States. Spain is willing to make these concessions to obtain peace, according to a dispatch received by President McKinley from a semi-official source.

This impression is primarily based upon the action of General Toral after consultation with Madrid in surrendering Santiago and the troops under his command. Secondly, it is based upon the reports received from Madrid, showing that the people are becoming convinced of the uselessness of continuing the struggle, and that pressure is being exerted in the interest of peace by the Vatican and by at least one of the European powers.

The information in the possession of the authorities shows that it has been the cry of the army from the start that it stands ready to retrieve the losses of the navy. The fact that General Toral with between 10,000 and 12,000 men has surrendered will now doubtless cause the army to fall in line in a general appeal for peace.

It can be stated on authority that no representation has yet been made to this Government either from its agents abroad or foreign representatives in Washington respecting its attitude on the peace question or the terms which it will be willing to accept.

LONDON, July 14.—A dispatch to the Times from Madrid, says: Peace prospects are improving. Symptoms of a change are especially marked in commercial circles. The Madrid Chamber of Commerce has received telegrams in favor of peace from Cadiz, Vigo and elsewhere, but nobody favors it at any price. The movement may be described as a desire for peace with honor, without great territorial sacrifices. Inordinate demands might easily arouse a warlike spirit, compelling the Government to swim with the popular current, regardless of consequences.

## WATSON'S FLEET PREPARES TO SAIL.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—Commodore Watson, with the Eastern Squadron, will sail within the next four days, probably Sunday. He was detached from the blockading station off Havana more than a week ago, and ordered to collect his vessels from Sampson's fleet. The next few days will be consumed in having divers clean the bottoms of vessels, in coaling them and in getting supplies on board. The Yankee left New York yesterday with ammunition for this squadron.

The vessels of Watson's squadron will probably rendezvous off Mole St. Nicholas or Cape Haytien. The course for the Canaries will be charted, and an average speed of ten knots an hour is expected to be maintained until the Island of Ferrol, the chief of the Canaries, is reached. While it is fortified not much trouble in taking is expected, and a competent force of marines will probably be landed to occupy the chief strategic points of the Island.

The squadron will sail for Spain, and after making demonstration at Cadiz will steam through the Straits of Gibraltar, shell Malaga and proceed in a northeasterly direction to Port Mahon, in the Balearic Islands. The defenses at this place are obsolete and Watson will find but little trouble in taking them.

## NOW TO MOVE ON PORTO RICO.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—"Next comes Porto Rico," said Secretary Alger, after receiving news of Santiago's formal surrender, "and then, if need be, Havana."

The first chapter in the land campaign of the United States against Spain closed today when the Spanish colors gave place over Santiago to the American flag. Next will follow the transportation of the Spanish troops back to their native land and the capture of the island of Porto Rico, unless peace soon intervenes.

The Secretary said that the Porto Rican expedition would go forward immediately. It will comprise new men entirely. The warriors in the trenches before Santiago have distinguished themselves, and it is not deemed prudent to bring them in unnecessary contact with new troops in view of the danger of spreading contagion. The sick soldiers will be nursed back to health and brought to the United States as soon as they can be safely removed. Immune regiments will be ordered to Santiago to garrison the town, and, as stated in these dispatches yesterday, two of these regiments are already under orders to proceed.

The Porto Rican expedition will be commanded by General Miles in person, though General Brooke, now in command at Camp Thomas, is expected to assist him. The size of the expedition will depend upon General Miles' wishes, although it is believed that 25,000 men will be sufficient for the purpose. At San Juan the navy will be of greater assistance than it was at Santiago, owing to the possibility of approaching the town more closely, without risking contact with the mines. General Brooke is now on his way to Washington, by direction of Secretary Alger, so that he will be in a position to make his views direct to the department. The experience gained in dispatching Shafter's expedition, it is expected, will aid the officials in their determination to make short work of the Porto Rican affair.

Investigation with respect to the climatic conditions at San Juan has convinced the officials that there will be practically no

danger to troops there from yellow fever, which annually prevails in nearly all parts of Cuba. The city of San Juan, which is built on high ground, is said to be exceptionally clean for a Spanish town. The water is said to be good, and, all things considered, it is not believed that the present arrangement for the invasion of the island will be interfered with.

## WHAT IT COST TO TAKE SANTIAGO.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—The siege of Santiago lasted two weeks and was remarkable in many respects, and in none more than the heavy percentage of loss through death, wounds or sickness of the soldiers and sailors engaged on both sides.

Looking back over the record of these two weeks, it is seen that a great ironclad squadron has been destroyed; that nearly a thousand Spanish sailors have been drowned or killed by shell and flame and that an untold number of Spanish soldiers have died in the trenches of Santiago. On the other hand about 250 American soldiers have been killed, and in round numbers, 2000 more have been sent to the hospitals from wounds, fevers and other ailments. Our fleet had remarkable exemption from disaster in the many engagements it had with the forts at the entrance of the harbor and with the Spanish squadron.

## THE FIFTH EXPEDITION.

Major General Otis yesterday issued the following orders, designating the troops to sail, and their transports, on the fifth expedition that will leave on the 21st inst.:

The following designated troops of the command will be placed in readiness to embark for the Philippine Islands on steamers hereinafter named by Thursday next, the 21st inst., and are assigned to transports as follows:

To the steamer Pennsylvania, the First Montana Volunteers and recruits of the First California Volunteers.

To the steamer Rio Janeiro, two battalions of the First South Dakota Volunteers, recruits of the First and Second Battalions of the Eighteenth United States Infantry, Signal Corps detachment, consisting of three officers and thirty men, and recruits of the Utah Light Artillery.

To the steamer St. Paul, one battalion South Dakota Volunteers recruits of First Colorado Volunteer, recruits of Thirteenth Minnesota Volunteers and Signal Corps detachment, consisting of two officers and twenty enlisted men.

Brigadier General H. G. Otis will accompany the expedition and will assume full command. He has not yet selected the vessel upon which he will sail, but will report to the commanding general of camp Merritt.

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